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Smallpox on the steamer Delaware.

REEDY ISLAND, DEL., *March 27, 1897.*

Tank steamer *Delaware* arrived. Two suspicious cases under observation. *Missouri* inspected and passed.

GLENNAN.

REEDY ISLAND, DEL., *March 28, 1897.*

Steamer *Delaware* has developed 6 cases of smallpox and 5 suspects. Have ordered her to breakwater for removal of all sick, and as many of crew with their dunnage for observation as captain can spare. Detailed Woodward to accompany and return with vessel.

GLENNAN.

LEWES, DEL., *March 28, 1897.*

Steamer *Delaware* arrived with 9 cases variola; will remove them, with 16 crew, to-morrow and remand vessel to Reedy. Am trying to employ physician; failing, will ask Bureau to appoint a passed candidate for assistant surgeon as acting to care for cases. Report later. Woodward with vessel.

WERTENBAKER.

Smallpox on the steamship Delaware.

LEWES, DEL., *March 30, 1897.*

Removed 1 more suspect this morning, making 9 cases, 13 suspects; total, 22. All cases except 1 are mild type. Sent steamer *Delaware* back to Reedy Island at 9.40 this morning. * * *

WERTENBAKER.